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(*d*) Graduates are sometimes recruited direct as Junior Deputy Inspectors but there is no question of "superseding the claims of secondary-grade teachers."

(*e*) Yes.

(*f*) No.

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN :—"May I know, Sir, from the hon. the Minister for Education the pay that is given to the women Deputy Inspectors?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—"Notice."

Assignment of schools to Junior Deputy Inspectors of Schools.

* 1771 *Q.*—Mr. K. P. V. S. MUHAMMAD MEERA RAVUTTAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) who assigns schools for annual inspection to the junior grade Deputy Inspectors of Schools at present in Madura and Trichinopoly districts;

(*b*) whether there is any principle laid down in regard to the assignment of schools to the junior grade Deputy Inspectors of Schools; and

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the junior grade Deputy Inspectors have been assigned scattered schools in three and more taluks in some of the ranges of the Madura and Trichinopoly districts?

A.—(*a*) The District Educational Officer.

(*b*) The principle followed is to give relief to Senior Deputy Inspectors in charge of the heavier ranges.

(*c*) In some cases, Junior Deputy Inspectors have been given work in more than one taluk but the area entrusted to them is as compact as possible.

Encouragement to common schools for children of all classes and creeds.

* 1772 *Q.*—Mr. A. B. SHETTY: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the present policy of the Government is to encourage common schools for children of all classes and creeds;

(*b*) whether the sentiments expressed by the hon. Minister in regard to this matter at the recent conference of the District Educational Officers are an indication of this policy; and

(*c*) whether G.O. Mis. No. 104, Education, dated 15th January 1929, lays down that the District Educational Council in South Kanara should allow Catholics to get recognition and aid for schools of their own?

A.—(*a*) Yes—as far as possible.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) On representations received by Government that according to the Canon Law of the Roman Catholics, the Roman Catholic parents are bound to send their children to Catholic schools and that the Roman Catholics in the South Kanara district

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find it difficult to obtain recognition and grants-in-aid in respect of elementary schools maintained by them, the District Educational Council, South Kanara, has been advised to grant recognition and aid to Catholic schools subject to certain conditions.

Mr. A. B. SHETTY :—" In view of the answer to clause (c), may I know how the Government are going to encourage common schools for children of different classes ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The Roman Catholics put forward some religious objections and the Government have got to take them into consideration."

Mr. K. R. KARANT :—" May I know whether this Catholic school is meant for the children of the Catholics only and will not restrictions be placed on local bodies from opening other schools in the locality ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" No, Sir. The point is that if there are sufficient Catholics to warrant a school for themselves, they will have a Catholic school ; otherwise Catholic children should go to the common school maintained by the local body."

Mr. K. R. KARANT :—" My question is there is a Catholic school in a locality and under the Canon Law it is chiefly for Catholic children, will there be any restrictions placed in such a place preventing the local body from opening a common school on the ground that there is a Catholic school there already ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" Yes, Sir. If the Catholic school is to be aided from the general funds, naturally there will be no other school opened there."

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN :—" May I know the reason why the Catholics want a separate school ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" That is mentioned in the answer itself to (c)."

Reconstruction of the buildings of Arts College, Rajahmundry.

* 1773 *Q.*—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government are aware that the buildings of the Arts College, Rajahmundry, require reconstruction ;

(*b*) if so, for how long this subject has been under the consideration of the Government ;

(*c*) whether any site was acquired for this purpose ;

(*d*) if so, at what cost and when ; and

(*e*) whether the reconstruction will be undertaken in 1929–30 ?

A.—(*a*), (*b*) & (*c*) The need for new buildings for the Arts College, Rajahmundry, having been brought to the notice of Government, a site was acquired for the purpose in 1921. The scheme could not be proceeded with for some time thereafter owing to financial stringency. Subsequently the Andhra University Act was passed ; and plans and estimates for the new buildings were prepared on the assumption that the buildings should